TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1515 - HB 1605

February 23, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires any person riding a bicycle upon a highway to equip such bicycle with a colorless front reflector, either colorless or amber pedal reflectors, and a red, rear-facing reflector. Requires such reflectors be approved by the Department of Safety (DOS) as conforming to federal law or other reflector standards as adopted by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). Creates a Class C misdemeanor for any violation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - \$600

Increase Local Revenue - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- DOS projects approximately 50 violations per year.
- DOS projects the average fine for this offense to be \$15.
- Twenty percent do not pay fine due to indigence.
- The increase of fine revenue is estimated to be \$600 per year (50 x \$15 x 80% = \$600).
- Local government receives five percent of fine revenue as commission.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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